

City of Smith Center
City Council Meeting Minutes
September 23, 2019
6:00 pm

The City Council met in adjourned session with Mayor Bryce Wiehl presiding. Council members present: Dave Mace, Adam Rentschler, Chris Cole, and Don Wick (arrived at 6:02pm). Absent: Tracy Kingsbury. Others present: Denis Miller, Mickey Drake, Hope Padilla, Barry Brooks, Rick Hileman, Jamie Marshall, Terri Jones, and Jill Conaway.

Motion by Mace, seconded by Rentschler, to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2019 council meeting. Motion carried.

Franchise Agreement

Upon review of the proposed franchise agreement with AT&T, a motion was made by Rentschler, seconded by Mace, to adopt Ordinance 1025 defining the contract franchise for a period of two years; with successive terms of two years after the initial timeframe. Motion carried. The mayor and clerk signed Ordinance 1025.

Audit Report

Denis Miller (Mapes & Miller, CPA's) presented the 2018 fiscal year Audit Report. Funds activities were summarized for the governing body. After the information was reviewed, a motion was made by Wick, seconded by Rentschler, to accept the 2018 Fiscal Year Audit Report as presented. Motion carried. The city management letter to Mapes & Miller, CPA's was signed by the mayor and clerk.

Economic Development

Hope Padilla presented information from the September Advisory Board meeting. Motion by Rentschler, seconded by Wick to approve payment of \$65 for a yearbook ad. Motion carried.

Motion by Cole, seconded by Rentschler, to approve Brittany Niles as the meeting minutes recorder with Irene Baumann as a backup, at a rate of \$60 per meeting; beginning with the September meeting. Motion carried.

Padilla provided clarification on a building in need of repairs, as listed in the minutes.

Swimming Pool

Barry Brooks shared information from the committee meetings such as options for a pool house and additional fundraisers.

Supervisor and Council Reports

Marshall reported on the progress of moving the police offices to the new location as well as issues/repairs on two of the patrol cars.

Hileman presented a bid to the council from Vernie's. Motion by Mace, seconded by Rentschler to accept the bid of \$2,522 from Vernie's for the purchase and installation of a tommy lift on the 2019 Dodge Ram. Motion carried.

Hileman has received a quote from Johnson and is awaiting a quote from Callebrisi for the option to install a perma-lateral system linier material in the sewer line located on the block of the swimming pool.

Hileman also reported on the work that will be done at the wells replacing some of the well houses.

Discussion was held on the weekend/holiday on-call schedule and compensation. Hileman asked the council to look at changing the structure currently used for compensation. The council discussed various options and then asked Hileman to meet with the employees that rotate on-call and write up a suggestion to bring to the next council meeting.

Conaway shared information with the council on the need to update the server and office computers, as server space is nearly full as well as the server being outdated; and the office computers running Windows 7. A quote from Nex-Tech was given to the council on computer costs, for review. Once the quote/bid is received on a server, that will be brought to the council for action.

Conaway reported the sale complete on the 2007 Ford F-150 through Big Iron.

Coordination between the city and emergency management allowed for a schedule to be set to test the emergency notification sirens the first Monday of each month at 9am, beginning in October. Notifications were sent to residents that have subscribed for alerts through the city's website, www.smithcenterks.com. Additional notifications will be sent prior to the October testing.

Motion by Rentschler, seconded by Mace, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:55pm.

Attest:

Jill Conaway, City Clerk